

**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**


Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

Application Number	09/453,801
Filing Date	December 3, 1999
First Named Inventor	Saswati CHATTERJEE, et al.
Group Art Unit	1636
Examiner Name	G. Leffers Jr.
Attorney Docket Number	1954-287

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (April 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
 - a. ☒ Previously submitted
 - i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on August 14, 2002
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. ☐ Other _____
 - b. Enclosed
 - i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declarations
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. ☐ Other _____
2. Miscellaneous
 - a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.170(i) required.)
 - b. ☐ Other _____
3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
 - a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-2135.
 - i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 - ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. ☐ Other _____
 - b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed.
 - c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed.)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED			
NAME AND REG. NUMBER	Martha Cassidy, Reg. No. 44,066		
SIGNATURE		DATE	October 1, 2002

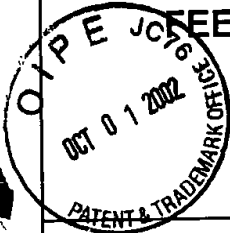
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**FREE TRANSMITTAL
for FY 2001
(Small Entity)**

Complete if Known

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)

1. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge additional fees and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 02-2135 in the name of Rothwell, Figg, Ernst & Manbeck
- ☒ Charge any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17
- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
2. ☐ Payment Enclosed:
☐ Check
☐ Credit Card

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Fee Code	Fee Paid	Fee Description	Fee Paid
205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	[]
227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	[]
139	130	Non-English specification	[]
147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	[]
112	920	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	[]
113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	[]
215	55	Extension for reply within first month	[]
216	200	Extension for reply within second month	[]
217	460	Extension for reply within third month	[260]
218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	[]
228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	[]
219	160	Notice of Appeal	[]
220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	[]
221	150	Request for Oral Hearing	[]
138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	[]
240	55	Petition to revive -unavoidable	[]
241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	[]
242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	[]
243	230	Design issue fee	[]
244	310	Plant issue fee	[]
122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	[]
123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	[]
126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	[]
581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	[]
246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR .129(a))	[]
249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	[]
279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	[370]
169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	[]
195	300	Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal publication	[]
196	300	Publication fee for republication	[]
089	200	Filing an application for patent term adjustment	[]
090	400	Request for reinstatement of term reduced	[]
Other fee (specify)			[]

FEE CALCULATION

1. FILING FEE

Fee Code	Fee \$	Fee Description	Fee Paid
201	370	Utility filing fee	[]
206	165	Design Filing Fee	[]
207	255	Plant Filing Fee	[]
208	370	Reissue Filing Fee	[]
214	80	Provisional Filing Fee	[]

SUBTOTAL \$

2. CLAIMS

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee	Fee Paid
[] - 20** = []	x	\$ 9 = []	
Independent Claims [2] - 4** = []	x	42 = []	
Multiple Dependent Claims	+	140 = []	

**or number previously paid, if greater,

SUBTOTAL \$

* Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid **SUBTOTAL \$630.00**

SUBMITTED BY		Complete (if applicable)	
NAME AND REG. NUMBER	Martha Cassidy, Reg. No. 44,066		
SIGNATURE		DATE	October 1, 2002
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